



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL**

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**DATE:** January 24, 2020

**PREPARED BY:** SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**CASE #:** OI-HQ-2019-OTH-0020

**CROSS REFERENCE #:** Hotline 2019-0004

**TITLE:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**CASE CLOSING REPORT**

| Subject(s)          | Location       | Other Data |
|---------------------|----------------|------------|
| (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Washington, DC | N.A.       |

**VIOLATION(S):**

Title 18 U.S. Code § 1752

Disruption of Government Business

**ALLEGATION:**

On November 1, 2018, Special Agent (SA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Office of Investigations (OI), Washington Field Office, was notified of EPA OIG Hotline Complaint 2019-0004. The Complaint shows racially charged writings written on a dry erase style calendar in the office space of the Office of Public Affairs, William Jefferson Clinton Building North, room 2500. After this hotline complaint was received, 3 more instances of racially charged comments have been written on the calendar. A case was initiated on November 8, 2019.

**FINDINGS:**

(b) (7)(E)

**DISPOSITION:** Supported; Closed

The investigation determined (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contractor, was responsible for writing the racially insensitive language on various whiteboards throughout EPA Headquarters. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was interviewed by EPA officials prior to (b) (6) interview with the OIG and subsequently removed from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) position as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) prior to the OIG issuing a report. The case was declined for prosecution and any further investigation. This case is now closed.

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